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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **SHIMOYAMA et al.**

Group Art Unit: 2828

Serial No.: 09/511,188

Examiner: **FLORES RUIZ, Delma R**

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For: **SEMICONDUCTOR OPTICAL DEVICE APPARATUS**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
Sir:

September 10, 2003

In response to the Office Action dated April 10, 2003, the period for response therefor extended via the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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